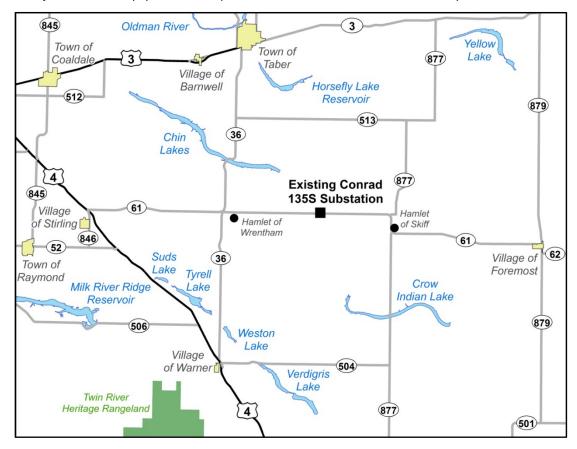
Notification of Needs Identification Document Filing Addressing the Need for Transmission Development in the Northeast part of Warner County

The Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) advises you that it intends to file a Needs Identification Document (NID) for the Conrad 135S Substation Upgrade with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) on or after March 14, 2018.

FortisAlberta Inc. (FortisAlberta) has applied to the AESO for transmission system access to reliably serve growing demand for electricity in and around Warner County. FortisAlberta's request can be met by the following solution:

- Upgrade the existing Conrad 135S substation, including adding one 138/25 kilovolt (kV) transformer and two 138 kV circuit breakers.
- Add or modify associated equipment as required for the above transmission developments.



The black square on the map indicates the approximate location of the existing Conrad 135S substation, which is located at SW-03-07-15-W4.

AltaLink Management Ltd. (AltaLink) is the transmission facility owner (TFO) in Warner County. In November 2017, the AESO and the TFO began presenting this need to stakeholders, including residents, occupants, and landowners. The AESO will apply to the AUC for approval of the need for this transmission development. Once filed with the AUC, the NID will be posted on the AESO website at https://www.aeso.ca/grid/projects/conrad-135s-substation-upgrade/

In a separate application, called a Facility Application, the TFO will provide more details about the specific facilities associated with the AESO's proposed transmission development, and will request AUC approval to construct and operate these facilities.

For more information, please visit our website, <u>www.aeso.ca</u> or contact us at 1-888-866-2959 or stakeholder.relations@aeso.ca